

5 August 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Office of Congressional Affairs

FROM: Robert E. Fitzgerald
Director, Equal Employment Opportunity

SUBJECT: Hispanic Heritage Week Celebration
Wednesday, 14 September 1988

1. We would like to confirm your plans to attend the DDCI hosted luncheon in Congressman Bill Richardson's honor on 14 September 1988 at 12:15 p.m. in the Executive Dining Room following his Hispanic Heritage Week address in the auditorium. As you may know, Congressman Richardson is a Democrat from New Mexico and a member of HPSCI. Immediately following the program in the auditorium, the Congressman will be given a brief tour of the Headquarters Exhibit Hall where we will feature works by three artists from the Southwest.

2. We also hope you can join us in the auditorium at 11:00 a.m. for Congressman Richardson's formal address. If you are able to attend, admission tickets will be forwarded to you.

3. Please advise our Hispanic Employment Program Manager, if you can attend both of these activities.

Robert E. Fitzgerald

Attachment

Biographical sketch of Congressman Richardson

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BIOGRAPHY OF CONGRESSMAN BILL RICHARDSON

-Elected in 1982 to represent New Mexico's 3rd Congressional District, one of the largest in square miles and ethnically diverse in the country: 40% Anglo, 40% Hispanic, 20% Native American. His district includes Santa Fe, Los Alamos, Taos, and a good chunk of the Navajo Reservation.

-Recently named Co-chairman of the Democratic Platform Committee for the Atlanta Convention. Has been Democratic respondent to the President's State of the Union message

-Member of House Leadership as Majority Whip at Large

-Serves on more committees than any other Member of Congress: Energy and Commerce, Education and Labor, Interior and Insular Affairs, Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Select Committee on Aging, and the Helsinki Commission on Human Rights.

-Known as a grass roots Representative. Has held over 800 town meetings in New Mexico since he has been in office. Won re-election with 72% in 1986.

-Has been called by House Leadership one of the most "prolific legislators in the House", with numerous bills and amendments enacted in the energy, environment, Indian, health, foreign policy, and defense areas.

-Lives in Tesuque, New Mexico with wife Barbara. Graduated from Tufts University with B.A. and Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy with an M.A.

-Before elected to Congress, an international business consultant in Santa Fe and a former staffer for the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and the State Department in Washington, D.C.